Amendments to the Specification

Please amend the paragraph on page 4, lines 14-20 as follows:

The virtual lanes provide a mechanism for creating multiple virtual links within a single physical link. Each virtual lane represents a set of send and receive buffers in a port, and each port any ports may support up to sixteen virtual lanes. The sixteenth lane is reserved for subnet management and lanes one through fifteen are used for data transmission. More information regarding virtual lane buffers at a receive link can be found in co-pending U.S. application No. 09/782,479-Attorney Docket No. 2442/101, filed February 13, 2001 and issued July 20, 2004 as U.S. Patent No. 6,766,464, the full disclosure of which is hereby incorporated by reference herein.